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ONE CENT in Washington and Subs

AMERICANS WIPE OUT ST. MIHIEL SALIENT TRAPPING UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY, 13,300 COUNTED; 30 TOWNS CAPTURED

VON HERTLING **BEGINS TO BID** HIGH ON PEACE

Declares Army Leaders Oppose All Ideas of Conquest.

SUCH. TALK EXPECTED result.

Reverses Cause Planned Peace Drive to Take New Tone.

Amsterdam, Sept. 13 .- "Despite the refusal of our peace offer and the violent criticism of the enemy press, I am convinced that peace is nearer than both sides suppose.

Count von Hertling, the German chancellor, made this statement in n address before a delegation of Berlin dispatches today. He asserted that both the government and the army leaders desired a peace by understanding and were pposed to all ideas of conquest.

The chancellor's remarks, which or even six ably have cost him his office-did Conn., who have refused to ablde by not provoke the slightest stir in al- a decision of the National War Labor fied diplomatic circles here. The Board, establishes the Government's German statesmen of late is mere period of the war. German statesmen of late is mere.

by what has been expected as a result of the military reverses in the West. The chancellor's refersion to the "military leaders" is a result of the ment of the convinced that henceforth it is Germany a question of "ev- inducted into the army. trything to lose, nothing to gain" on the battlefield.

St. Mibiel Has Tffeet.

upon the German people is expected to make itself felt slowly, with a crushin upon the home morale.

extremely favorable, whereas the Western front have wiped out and the situation is

lowever, as if resolved that the laof paintlaking planning shall not but, Withelmstrasse has given all arious spokesmen-among them Kaiser himself—the word to go sid and talk peace, cost whatever

Would Restore Belgium, But-

Thus Vice Chancellor von Payer in a speech at Stuttgart followed Dr. Belf's lead and declared that Belgium "can be restored without encumbrance and without restriction." He went further than the colonial secretical further than the colonial secretical to accept the mediation of the war however, and openly asserted what has been suspected ever since what has been suspected ever since the position of the War Labor Board. Self made his speech "Germany," said Herr von Payer,
"will not permit the allies to alter the
Brasi-Litovsk and Rumanian trea-

overbial cat out of the bag and shadowed in these dispatches on August 3i-that the Teuton peace offensive would revolve around the

As a string on the restoration promlsed in the West, however, Von Payer bessed in 1914 must be restored to

AUTOLESS SUNDAYS

Fuel Administration Desires to Re-

plenish Gasoline Reserve. Gasless Sundays will not be aban-toned for a while, the Fuel Administration announced yesterday. Auto-mobile owners are still asked to keep their cars in the gareges on Sunday until the gusoline reserve is further Fuel Administrator Garneld's facros on gasolne supplies at Atlan-tic ports are: 6:5,000 barrels on August M. This was the total amount avail-M. This was the total amount available for export and for domestic use The regulation of tankers for export withdrawal that day were \$15,000 barrels, issaying but 20,000 barrels for domestic consumption in that territory.

ROYAL MURDERS DENIED.

Czarina and Daughters Not Killed,

Declares Bolshevist. Copenhagen, via London, Sept. 13.— The Roishevist Foreign Minister, M. Tchitcherin, officially denied today that the fortier Czarina and her daughters were marked. murdered, according to the Folkets Dagblad.

RECRUIT PORTUGUESE FOR WORK IN FRANCE

Pershing Calls Thousands to Release American Soldiers for Front.

Lisbon, Sept. 13.-Thousands of workmen are being recruited in Por-ugal for the American forces in France. This is the answer of the little republic to the call of Gen. Through Thomas H. Birch, Amer

ican Minister at Lisbon, Gen. Pershing requested permission of the Portuguese government to recruit in that country skilled and unskilled workmen in order to release Amer-ican soldiers now doing that work in France. The Portuguese government promptly consented and, as a result, several thousand laborers are being recruited throughout the country under the supervision of Capt. W. W. Dyer and staff.

Since Portugal entered the war in March, 1916, it has trained and equipped an army of more than 125,-000 men for service in France and Africa, and at present is actively engaged in training additional

EDICT ISSUED

ade union leaders, according to Bridgeport Workmen Informed War Work Strikes Forbidden.

> Strikes will not be tolerated var work is in progress.

This ultimatum from -and would unquestion- striking machinists of Bridgeport, ncessant harping on peace by the policy toward essential labor for the

"military leaders" is a year, and also from any war indusas conclusive proof that try elsewhere in the United States. In addition, sheir draft boards will be notified that they are no longer engaged in essential work. This cermany a question of "ey would mean that they would soon be inducted into the convenience."

Means Work or Fight.

President's communication was addressed to "District The American blow in the St. Mihiel Lodge, No. 55, International Association of Machinists, and other striking has been the "coup de grace" to the workmen of Bridgport, Conn." is, overbearing militarists. Its effect in reality, a rigid application of the

with them. The President, it is known, held back his letter until yes-President, it is the peace offensive now under way had been planned months ago, but had been planned, Berlin believed the work and present whatever remaining grievances they had to the War Labor Board. After informing them that "if such disregard of the adjudication of a tribunal to which both parties submitted their claims e temporized with agreements be ome mere scraps of paper," he said:
"But to strike against the award is
iisloyalty and dishonor."

The President was emphatic in statng that the decisions of the War Labor Board must be concurred in, and he made it clear that the govis playing the game squarely between both employers and employes.

One Plant Taken Over.

the position of the War Labor Board. Hereafter, it is understood, it will have the authority to compel both employers and employers to abide by its decisions. It is not the intention of the administration to stiffe the comof the administration to still any, the plaints of labor, On the contrary, the nurpose of the creation of the War purpose of the creation of the War Labor Board was a body, with repre-sentatives of both capital and labor, that would hear and decide whatever "Restoration in the West, a free in the East."

"Restoration in the West, a free two. It was not the purpose, though, the was not the purpose, though, the way of the two. It was not the purpose, though, to have the awards of this body dis-regarded once they were finally made.

HOME TOWN OBSERVES PERSHING'S BIRTHDAY

TO REMAIN IN FORCE Populace of Laclede, Mo., Wild with Enthusiasm Yesterday.

Laclede Mo., Sept. 13.—Laclede, which remembers Gen. Pershing as a long, lanky school boy, retiring in disposition, was today possibly the most elated town in the United States. most elated town in the United States, Flags were llying from every home, bands were playing, and the populace was wild with enthusiasm as the Yanks swept toward Berlin, Laclede is Pershing's home town and the general's birthday was celebrated only as a home town can celebrate a hero's success.

BATTLE WITH ROBBERS.

One Colorado Officer Killed, Two

REGISTRATION PROMISES TO BE 14,000,000

First Reports on New Draft Exceed Gen. Crowder's Estimates.

LIMITLESS MAN POWER

Pershing Assured Uninterrupted Flow of Troops. D. C. Reports First.

The wireless flashed the news to Gen. Pershing yesterday that America had again gone over the top in her registration of man power, and that her armies would be limitless to crush the German Gen. Crowder sent this nessage to Gen. Pershing:

"The nation responded yesterday with an enrollment which promises to exceed all estimates, thus assuring an uninterrupted flow of man power to the army under you."

Gen. Crowder does not expect ago, would have caused a Wilson yesterday transmitted to the but preliminary estimates from eleven States show a registration 8.5 per cent in excess of the preiminary figures made before the registration. If this excess holds up throughout the nation the registration will run close to 14,000,-000 instead of the 12,800,000 ex-

> Expect Larger Class One. The Provost Marshal General's ofice figures that if this proportion is maintained in the various classes the man power of Class 1, of Thursday's which had previously been estimated at 2,398,000, will exceed 2,600,000, while that of the group from 32 to 36 years and 19 and 20 years within that class, and who are to be called to the colors beginning shortly after October 1, will be in excess of 1,625,000 instead of the 1,500,-000 estimated.
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> With calls for men at the rate of

> schedule, this group will supply the calls for six months, while the entire Class 1, of Thursday's registration, will meet the demands for ten months, when a new registration of 1,000,000 of men becoming 18 years of age may be-ordered.

Several States Report.

Estimated totals of State registraions were received yesterday from rkansas, District of Columbia. Minnesota, Mississippi, Oregon, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia

Local boards in New York, Philadelphia and the District of Columbia ied with each other for the hono o Gen. Crowder's office. Local either on a rental or seiling basis, is coards 39 and 40 of Philadelphia and well within their means, and when boards 39 and 40 of Philadelphia and well within their means, and where 157 of New York sent messengers to the Capital with their figures, but measures up to the standards establical board No. 3 of the District had beaten them in.

To this end, a policy has been formulated, under which the United

keep their schedule in sending out the questionnaires to the first group of new registrants to be classified for call, the drawing will probably be held in Washington on October 2. Plans for it are now being made. It is to be made an inspiring patriotic

Burleson Issues Order.

Postmaster General Burleson yesterday authorized telephone and teleterday authorized telephone and tele-graph companies to file claim for de-ferred classification for such em-ployes as the division chiefs shall ployes as the division chiefs shall determine are "absolutely indispensable to the operation of the service." The United States Emergency Fleet Corporation announced that it would not ask deferred classification for any employe who would otherwise be placed in Class 1, except those absolutely essential in furthering the production of ships or equipment, but that it would ask deferred classification of some employes likely to be tion of some employes likely to be placed in Class 2 or Class 4 if it re-gards these men as essential to fur-thering its output.

It is appointing committees to deter mine what men will be regarded as essential and will notify them of this essential and will nouty them of this determination. These employes will be asked to abide by the decision of the committees and to accept the deferred classifications.

CHILE TO CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY

Commemorating Liberation from Dominion of Napoleon.

One Colorado Officer Killed, Two
Wounded, Yeggs Escape.
Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 12.—
Chief of Detectives John Brown, of
Colorado Springs, was shot and killed
and two assistants were probably
fatally wounded in a battle with bank
robbers here tonight. The robbers escaped in an automobile headed to-

JUGO-SLAV FREEDOM DESIRED BY ITALY

Recognizes Democratic Principles in Their Aims.

London, Sept. 12.—The Paris cor-respondent of the Times states that the Italian cabinet has decided to inform the Triest governments that the Italian government considers the movement on foot on among the Jugo-Slav peoples for gaining their independence and erecting a constitutional free state corresponds with the principles for which the allies are fighting and with the final ends of a just and lasting ling Lille for Grand

Entire German Battery.

peace.
The immediate result of the decision will be the formation of a Jugo-Slav legion in Italy and later the formation of a Jugo-Slav army. Members of the legion will take oath of allegiance to King Peter of Serbia as monarch of Jugo-Slavia. Serbia as monarch or Jugo-Siavia.

In confirmation of this report is a statement in the Corrière Della Sera of Milan, that it has every reason to be satisfied with the results achieved in the cabinet councils.

VACANT SPACE TO BE TAKEN

All Available Houses to Be Commandeered for Workers.

Commandeering on an unprece dented scale will be continued in to have any formal total estimate Washington and extended to the entire country, according to a statement issued by Otto M. Eidlitz, of the United States Housing Corpora

Mr. Eidlitz also makes a plea to all patriots to open their homes to New houses will be built by the vernment only when all available

the government will build house for war workers only as a measure of final relief. Not until every com-munity has exhausted its, own resources should national aid be sought, or will it be granted. The reason for this policy of regis-tering all available space is first ex-

plained in detail.

The need of the Government for ma terials, transportation and especially for man power is incompatible with the normal amount of new construc-tion both in regions where war work

being done and elsewhere.

Overlook Former Customs This general condition should be houses to boarders, except where there are adolescent children. Pa-triotism demands this with other ride reasonable housing facilities for Moisy Farm."

war workers. The United States Housing Corpora tion will not be in a position to lend financial assistance to private enter-prises. It is, however, deeply inter-ested in and wishes to encourage any undertakings calculated to relieve the housing situation for workers in es-sential industries where the need for such relief is urgent; where the cost to the workmen for such houses, Local either on a rental or selling basis, is

States Housing Corporation, after a careful investigation of the merits of official approval of a project and thereby secure for it the benefits of priority orders, should they be uired, clearance and transportation of materials and such other assistance as it is deemed proper and expedient to render. prompt completion of the work.

FIVE CENTS A GLASS IS ENOUGH FOR MILK PETITION PRESIDENT

Restaurant Keepers so Informed by Food Administrator.

Five cents a glass is enough for milk in restaurants, according to Clarence R, Wilson, local food admin-istrator.

At present many restaurants are charging at the rate of \$40 a quart. The average restaurant glass will be found to contain about half a pint.

MILLIONAIRE DIES. Pioneer Financier Passes to Re ward in Catskills.

Word has been received here of

WIDE IN THIRTY-SIX HOURS

Retreat. BRITISH GO FORWARD

ing Lille for Grand

Important Fortified Outpost of Hindenburg Line Captured.

London, Sept. 13 .- The Germans are reported to be evacuating Lille and to be preparing for a large scale retreat in the northern area of the Western front. Fugitives from Lille are reaching Malines and Antwerp. auxiliary forces are building ridges across the upper Meuse. The British are now only a mile

rom Armentieres and a mile and

a half from La Bassee.

TAKE HINDENBURG POST. At the British Front, Sept. 13 .-The British today captured Gouzeaucourt, one of the fortify:d outposts in the old Hindenburg line

after gruelling fighting. The British took this village with tanks and infantry in No ember of last year, but the Gernans subsequently retook whereupon a British guard division crashed back into Gouzeaucourt, defeating all enemy counter attacks and holding the new line until the German drive last March forced the great retreat.

French Make Progress. Paris, Sept. 13.—"The success at St. Mihiel is set forth in the American communique," is the way to-night's war office communique be-

This general condition should be aken into account, says the Housing elsewhere the statement says: "In the course of the day we made "South of the Alliette we enlarged The Yankee Offensive. our positions north of Nanteuill-la-

British Push On.

London, Sept. 13.-Local progress on the front northwest of St. Quentin and substantial headway in the northern area, southwest of La Bassee, was reported by Field Marshal Haig in his night report. The statement follows: the Vermand and Jeancourt

sector, northwest of St. Quentin, our troops have gained ground in contact with the enemy's advanced detach-ments and have taken prisoners. "Southwest of La Basse our progress has continued in spite of op-position from hostile machine guns. Our troops have gained possession of the sale two fosse de Bethune, and of the slag be a big accomplishment.

the surrounding country.
"To the north of it our troops hold pressing forward into the village. "We captured a few prisoners dur-

TO SIT FOR PORTRAIT

Americans of Italian Birth Wish to Present It to Italy as Token.

Fifty thousand Italians have peti-A meeting of restaurant keepers will be held this week to discuss the matter, according to information from the Food Administration.

Mr. Wilson was informed that the Child's restaurant in New York sold milk for \$.05 a glass while the Washington Child's restaurant of the Washington Child's restaurant was a token of the world washington Child's restaurant was a token of the Washington Child's restaurant was a token of the Washington Child's restaurant was a token of the Washington Child's restaurant was well as the control of the foremost living Italian attention of the foremost living Italian attention.

a glass.

Mr. Wilson believes that half a pint of milk should be sold at restaurants for \$1.05. This would be at the rate of \$20 a quart to the consumer.

Among the prominent national figures who have endorsed the movement are Judge J. Palmieri, of New York; E. Paul Yaselli, of the United Sumer. can sculptor; Prince Marmelo Ma-zeni-Potruszelli, Maj. C. Cattapani, chairman of the Italian Four-Min-ute Men in New York; Count Gatteshi. L.L. D.: Oreste Ferrara ident of the Cuban Parliament; Dr. A: Stella and thousands of others.

LLOYD GEORGE WATCHES.

Follows American Advance from

Entire German Battery.

ELIMINATE GERMAN WEDGE

15 MILES DEEP AND 20 MILES

With the American Army, Sept. 13 (Noon).-Lieut. Knowles and Sergt. Graham, operating a tank, captured a battery of German field guns, seventy heavy and five light machine guns, as well as seventy-five prisoners who easily kurrendered. The exploit was accomplished at Pannes (one of the first towns to fall to the Amer

cans).
Sergt. Graham was sitting on top
of the tank's turret, an automatic
pistel in hand. It did the trick. of the huge fleet of steel monsters employed, only two tanks were disabled.

Not a single member of a tank crew was killed.

Captive Tells How Yank Flier Chased Him. With the First American Army

French Press Rejoices At American Coup.

Paris, Sept. 12.—"That's bully." Such was Premier Clemenceau's sole comment on the news from the St. Mihiel front late today. The "Tiger's" face was wreathed in smiles.

All France hails the American on slaught with unbounded rejoicing. The French press is enthusiastic in its eulogy of the American fighting qualities, once more proved in a heavily-

Matin, "enhances the admirable feat of arms."

English Papers Welcome

London, Sept. 13.-The American of fensive against the St. Mihiel salien further indication of Marshal Foch's determination to give the Germans no rest. There is no tendency to overestimate the nature of the move ment and it is explicitly stated that the offensive is of a local character with strictly limited objectives. At the same time the seriousness of the threat to German communica

tions is fully recognized.

The Manchester Guardian says that the salient served the enemy as the defense of Metz and vital lines of communication that center on Metz.

It has also served as a bastion for the valley of the Moselle and a strong hinge for the whole German line where it turns and runs southward To flatten the salient would in itself

heap adjoining its top.

"This slag heap, know as "The Guardian goes on to point that the distance from Dommartin Dump,' forms an important local feature, giving wide observation over the position of the garrison of The Guardian goes on to point our Mihiel is therefore hopeless,

British Bomb Boches With Good Results.

London, Sept. 13.-British aviators co-operated effectively with the Amer-icans attacking the Germans in the St. Mihlel sallent yesterday and today by bombing the German rear areas and communications, the air ministry nounced today. The statement fol-

on the night from the 12th to th 13th inst., in conjunction with the at-tack of the American first army, the celles were heavily bombed by us with good results. "Metz station and the searchlights

machine-gun fire. "Today, in favorable weather, opera tions were continued against Metz-Sablon and other railway junctions and enemy transport on the battle front. Nearly eighty-one and one-half tons of bombs were dropped and good results were observed. "One hostile machine was destroy-

Two of our machines are miss

P. O. DEPT. HOLDS UP NATION. Publication Criticises Government

Position on Slacker Raids. New York, Sept. 13 .- The Nation,

weekly publication, said to be owned by Oswald Garrison Villard, who re-cently sold his controlling interest in the New York Evening Post to de-vote his entire time to the magazine, was notified today that its September Colorado Springs, Colo, Sept. 12.—
Colorado Springs, Colo, Sept. 12.—
Colorado Springs, Colo, Sept. 13.—
Colorado Springs, Was shot and killed and two assistants were probably fatally wounded in a battle with bank robbers estaged in an automobile headed toward Denver. A posse is in pursuit.

Posses have surrounded part of the bandits in a canyon thirty-two miles west of Denver and a dozen shots it was never taken from them but a charter was granted to them.

Word has been received here of the death of Anthony Weston Dimock at his home in the Catskills.

Mr. Dimock, recognized as one of the leading financiers, explorers and the leading financiers, explorers and the country, was seventily sold his controlling interest in the death of Anthony Weston Dimock at his home in the Catskills.

Mr. Dimock, recognized as one of the leading financiers, explorers and the country, was seventile and the country, was seventile and the map of the St. Mihlel area all day, eagerly watching the progress of the American troops as it was reported to him by special and before he was thirty had active was never taken from them but a charter was granted to them.

Our Forces 10 Miles from Fortress Of Metz Which Is Being Bombed by Heavies.

DEFEAT CRACK HUN DIVISION

Secretary of War Baker and Gen. Pershing Inspect 150 Enemy Officers at St. Mihiel.

With the First American Army, Sept. 18.—Capt. Fay C. Bridgeman of Lake Forest, Ill., shot down a German plane yesterday.

Another American aviator played his machine gun on a group of Germans trying to limber up and drive off a field battery. He shot a German officer off his horse and drove another officer into a dugout. A few minutes later the fugitive was captured in the dugout and the guns also were taken by us. The German officer himself recounted the affair to American officers.

The American forces are in possession of the entire St. Mihiel salient to points twelve miles northeast of that town and have captured in the dugout and the guns also were taken by us. The German officer himself recounted the affair to American officers. night, made public by the War Department. It is as follows:

"In the St. Mihiel sector we have achieved further successes. The junction of our troops advancing from the south of the sector, with these advancing from the west, has given us tities, once more proved in a heavilyfortified and difficult sector.

"The Germans," says Le Journal,
"are making a belated discovery of
America-at St. Mihiel."

possession of the whole salient to points twelve
miles northeast of St. Mihiel and has resulted

Figare calls the American blow the most effective reply to the bombastic speech of the Kaiser at Krupp's.

"The unfavorable terrain," says Le
"Forced back by our steady a "Forced back by our steady advance, the enemy is retiring and is destroying large quantities of material as he goes. The number of prisoners counted has risen to 13,300. Our line now includes Herveyville-Thillet, Hattondemands this with other Furthermore all available we repulsed two counter atFurthermore all available tacks in the region of Laffaux and is welcomed by English papers as line now includes Herbeyville-Thillot, Hattonville, St. Benoit, Xammes, Jaulny, Thiaucourt

LARGE FORCE OF ENEMY TRAPPED.

With the First American Army, Sept. 13 .- A body of Germans, whose size at this hour is unknown, has been trapped in the St. Mihiel pocket, except for a few who fled northward in the darkness through the St. Maurice Forest while our line there

Many of these were challenged and captured while attempting to escape.

It is unknown at this hour what booty will be found as we press on and capture the remaining Germans, but it is believed their number and the material left behind are quite con-

MORE THAN 30 TOWNS TAKEN.

With the First American Army, Sept. 13.—(4 p. m.)— We have captured more than thirty towns and villages since the St. Mihiel attack began. The battle continues. We are WIPE OUT SALIENT IN 36 HOURS.

London, Sept. 13 .- In less than thirty-six hours Gen. Pershing's First American army has wiped out the entire St. Mihiel salient, the last German wedge on the entire Western front that presented any menace

Tonight, the Franco-American front, instead of running in a huge -shaped angle around St. Mihiel, runs straight from Pagny-sur-Moselle, on the German border, northwestward to the foot of the range of Meuse Heights via Hattonville, a mile northwest of Vigneuelles, which

was the nerve center of the German communications within the pocket, At least 13,000 prisoners are reported to have been taken by th Americans and sixty guns have been captured.

The total advance of the American right, from Fey-en-Haye Pagny-sur-Moselle, is thirteen miles, eight of which were made yesterday. The operation has shortened the Franco-American by one half, cutting it from forty to twenty miles. The vital railway connecting Verdun with Commercy, Toul and

Nancy has been completely disengaged by the successful American

drive and may now be used by the allies.

NOOSE CLOSED ABOUT GERMANS. With the First American Army, Sept. 13 (6 p. m.) .- We have captured Vigneuelles, thus closing the noose about the Germans in

the St. Mihiel salient. Vigneuelles-les-Hattonchatel lies five miles southeast of Dommartin-la-Montagne, also in American hands. This five-mile stretch